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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 28, 2001, Applicants propose the following Amendment after final and respectfully request reconsideration of the application:

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On page 9, line 23, please delete "fluffed core 46" and substitute therefor – core 46 -- .

On page 13, line 20, please delete "barrier cuffs or".

On page 13, line 21, please delete "i.e., side walls" and substitute therefor – provide side walls -- .

On page 14, line 9, please delete "or side edge regions".

On page 14, line 15, please delete "80c" and "36".

On page 14, line 16, please delete "80c".

On page 14, line 17, please delete "36, 80c".

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